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## **NLRB ANNOUNCES THE APPOINTMENT OF SIX ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES**

The National Labor Relations Board today announced the appointment of six new administrative law judges to replenish the ranks of its Judges Division. The new judges, who will report for duty at various dates in January or early February 1997, will increase the number of judges nationwide to 62. As recently as November 1993, the Board employed 78 judges.

The Judges Division, which has offices in Washington, D.C., New York City, San Francisco and Atlanta, is responsible for conducting hearings and issuing initial decisions in unfair labor practice cases brought by the Board's General Counsel on charges filed by unions, employers and individual workers. Judges' decisions may be appealed to the five-member Board and then to United States Courts of Appeals.

Three of the new judges, Bruce Rosenstein, Earl Shamwell Jr., and Margaret Kern will be attached to the Washington office of the Judges Division. Keltner Locke and D. Randall Frye will be attached to the Atlanta office and Michael Marcionese will be attached to the New York office.

D. Randall Frye has been an administrative law judge with the Social Security Administration for the past two years. He has had considerable previous experience with the Board, serving in a number of senior positions, including as Deputy General Counsel in Washington and as Regional Director in the Cincinnati Regional Office. He also spent some time at the Federal Labor Relations Authority, where he served as Regional Attorney in the Washington Regional Office. Judge Frye received his B.A. degree from Lenoir Rhyne College, his J.D. from the University of Baltimore, and his L.L.M. in labor law from George Washington University.

Margaret Kern has been an administrative law judge at the Social Security Administration since October 1995. Before her appointment as a judge, she had considerable labor law and litigation experience. She spent five years as a field examiner in the Board's Regional Office and 11 years as an assistant district attorney in the New York County and Westchester County District Attorney's Offices. She was also in private practice, specializing in labor law, including a stint as a labor associate at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom. She received her B.S. degree from the Cornell University School of Industrial Relations and her J.D. from Fordham University.

Keltner Locke has been an administrative law judge with the Social Security Administration for five years. Previously, he served for 11 years as a field attorney, trial specialist and supervisory attorney in the Board's St. Louis Regional Office. He also spent three years as a senior associate with the law firm of King & Ballow, representing employers in labor relations matters. Judge Locke received his B.J. degree from the University of Missouri School of Journalism, his J.D. from Wayne State University and his L.L.M. from George Washington University.

Michael Marcionese has been an administrative law judge at the Social Security Administration since May 1994. Previously, he spent 15 years as an attorney and trial specialist in the Board's Hartford Regional Office. Judge Marcionese received his B.A. degree from Beloit College and his J.D. from Cornell University.

Bruce Rosenstein has been an administrative law judge with the Social Security Administration since October 1995. He has had broad previous labor relations experience at the Board and at other federal agencies. He began his career as a field attorney with the Board, and thereafter was promoted to Special Counsel for the General Counsel in Washington. He also served as the Regional Attorney for the Washington Regional Office of the Federal Labor Relations Authority and as Senior Counsel for Labor Relations at the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Judge Rosenstein received his B.S. degree from Syracuse University, his J.D. from the University of Louisville, and his L.L.M. from George Washington University.

Earl Shamwell Jr. has been an administrative law judge with the Social Security Administration since June 1995. Previously, for eight years he served as a hearing commissioner in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. He began his career with the Board as a law clerk on the staff of then Board Chairman Edward Miller. Subsequently, he worked as a trial attorney in the Department of Justice and as an Assistant United States Attorney. While at the Justice Department, he spent six years in the Labor Management Relations Section of the Criminal Division. Judge Shamwell received his B.A. and his J.D. from George Washington University.

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